

UTAH AND WYOMING

BISHOP SCANLAN'S EARLY STRUGGLES IN SALT LAKE

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The history of the Church in Utah, briefly sketched in the columns of the Intermountain Catholic, is only a repetition of her history in all new countries. Ever the same, there could be no novelty in her history. Wherever, or whenever the mustard seed of Catholic faith has been planted, be it in the frozen north, or beneath the Southern Cross, it is but a repetition of the work first begun in Bethlehem by her divine founder, continued by his chosen twelve and their successors down through the centuries.

Circumstances in different countries and at different times may have varied the methods of planting the seed of divine faith, but not the faith itself. What St. Peter and Paul did in Rome St. Augustine did in England, St. Patrick in Ireland, Boniface in Germany, Jordan in Poland, or Francis Xavier in India, and a De Smet among the American Indians. All animated with the same spirit and fired with the same burning zeal, could not have been the same end in view, present new phases in their labors. Like causes produce similar effects, though the results may not be always equal.

THE WORK IN UTAH.

In reviewing the work done in Utah since '76, when the first Catholic priest began his labors, down to the present, the results have been greater than that attained in most states, when all circumstances connected with early history of the church and down to the present few years have been considered. Its numerical strength was small in the beginning; its means limited and under these adverse circumstances the first missionaries were obliged to commence at the foundation of all its material edifices. The first three Catholic priests who came to Utah to plant the faith have gone to their reward.

Their beginnings, though small, were indeed great. A priest in '78 securing a site for a future church, and not one Catholic family in the city, shows the efforts then made to work for the honor and glory of God. His second successor in '79, under circumstances a little more favorable, succeeded in erecting the church, where the Catholics at present worship.

BISHOP SCANLAN'S COMING.
The fourth in succession, the present Bishop of the diocese, took up the work of his predecessors in '82, and with the material growth of the Church since that date his life and labors are so intimately interwoven that a history of the Church without frequent mention of his name would be incomplete. The churches, schools, hospitals and orphanages which are in the different parts of Salt Lake diocese owe their origin to Bishop Scanlan, who has been at all times aided and encouraged by zealous and devoted priests, and has received the co-operation of a generous public.

From the commencement of his administration the present Bishop has proved himself not only a zealous missionary, a devoted church man, but also a thorough business man. His policy has been from the beginning conservative, while the principle which directed all his actions has been that of the Divine Master, viz., charity. Uncompromising in his faith and devotion to Catholic truth, he has always confined himself strictly to his work. As a shepherd of souls he has devoted his life to his flock, ever striving to impress them with their duties and obligations, carefully avoiding ever to utter an unkind word of those who differ from him.

THE BISHOP'S POLICY.
By no influence could he at any time during the twenty-six years of his pastoral charge in Utah be induced to take any part in the agitations of the Utah problem. The feelings of others were for him something sacred, and why not respect the same. Wherein he differed from others all knew. It was needless for him to put himself on record, and he was on those who believed and taught differently from him. To do so was not in line with the principle which directed his church work. Whilst leaving all men according to their consciences in the hands of a just God, he is for the inquirer a stern Catholic; offers only what he has, viz., the Catholic Church as the true way to salvation. His judgment lead him to adopt this course from the beginning, and to it, as the wisest and most prudent, he still clings. Through it, respect for Catholic truth and practices has not lessened. On the contrary, all, irrespective of creed, commend the wise, charitable and prudent course of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Scanlan.

SALT LAKE
W. S. McCormick is in New York.
David Keith was a Park City visitor last Monday.

H. M. Clay of the Union Pacific office is very ill.
Matt Cullen is home from an extended eastern trip.

Marshall Glen Miller has gone east to visit relatives.
Charles Spillman of Eureka came in Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Baldwin is visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary Judge.
Hon. P. H. Lamm has returned from a trip to California.

Mrs. J. Hal Moore will sing the offertory piece tomorrow.
Marlin McDermott, the little son of W. H. McDermott, is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Harris of Butte are at the Knutsford.
The newboys enjoyed their annual Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday.

James Shields, the popular traveling man, is registered at the Knutsford.
Mr. James McFarlane of Deer Lodge, Mont., is in town on a business trip.

Colonel Thomas B. Shannon of Idaho Falls has been here for the past week.
The retaining wall for St. Mary's Cathedral will be finished early next week.

Deputy Sheriff Montgomery spent Thanksgiving day with friends in Boise.
A special rehearsal for the young girls' choir will be held this afternoon at 4.

J. C. Sullivan of the Raymond mine, Eureka, was a Salt Lake visitor last week.
Mrs. S. H. Pinkerton and Mrs. Timothy Egan will attend to the altars this week.

W. H. Roth, a prominent druggist of Evanston, is in the city, accompanied by his wife.
The many friends of Mrs. Harry Clark and Mrs. W. S. Evans will grieve

After his three predecessors, who were the first to plant the mustard seed of Catholic faith in Utah, the work of development and extending the Church's influence through her institutions rested with Father Scanlan. How that could be best done he solved to his own satisfaction. To reach the heart of man must be appealed to through the senses. Twenty-five years ago, when the church was in her infancy, this could not be done through beautiful and grand churches, and even if it could, the erection of such edifices was impossible.

The best and most attainable means were through her institutions, i. e., her schools, hospitals and other charitable institutions. To found such was the first object of Father Scanlan's early labors in Utah. The many churches and other institutions in the state bear witness to his success. The casual visitor or settler of recent years have often asked, why, with your fine academies, hospitals and other up-to-date institutions, you have not in the past built a large and grand church?

By the present they grudge the past, forgetting that till twelve years ago the present church with only one mass on Sunday was more than ample for the Catholics of Salt Lake; that twenty years ago there were not three Catholic families in the city; that when the present Bishop assumed charge of this parish his congregation rarely exceeded twenty souls.

HOPES WERE THEN REALIZED.
Three years ago his most sanguine hope could not induce him to expect getting in his whole diocese what one generous soul during the present year gave for a home for the orphan, and five persons gave for his future Cathedral, and without which a beginning could not be made.

Had an appeal to his people, or any cost to them, he managed by means unknown even to himself to secure the present site where his future Cathedral will stand. Had an effort been made two years ago to collect funds for the buildings which are now being built, it would be a mistake, and an unsuccessful attempt. "There is time for everything," and to anticipate the proper time would be an error in judgment. Bishop Scanlan awaited an opportune time, when all not members of his own church alone, but others with faith in the future of Salt Lake, and wishing to impress strangers with that idea, have liberally donated and promised the means for the buildings already commenced.

GLORIOUS HISTORY.
Tracing the progress of the Church for more than a quarter of a century in Utah, it will compare favorably with any diocese in America; may, indeed, where do we know has the mustard seed of Catholic truth planted under such adverse circumstances developed so rapidly and gained so much. This is especially true if measured by the numerical strength of its members.

Had the Church, in its infancy, been directed by a less energetic and zealous pastor than its present Bishop, who unselfishly sacrificed his own comfort for the Church's welfare, the advancement would not be what it is today. In '75 St. Mary's Academy was founded. When Sisters M. Augusta and Raymond accepted the mission the real work of building up the church began. The highest subscription received by Father Scanlan for the work then begun was \$100, and that only from a few persons.

NOT THREE CATHOLIC FAMILIES HERE.

There were not three Catholic families in Salt Lake at that time, and the entire congregation would not exceed thirty persons. Under these circumstances, backed by courage, was needed to begin a work which, when completed, would cost at least \$25,000. But the hand already put to the plow was not to be retarded. His faith in final success was not human. If it had been he would not have, in the face of so many difficulties, begun. He knew that "Nisi Dominus aedificaverit, in vanum laboraverunt, et edificaverunt." The work began was finished, and its success led to the foundation of similar institutions in Ogden, Park City, Silver Reef and Eureka. The little seed of Christian truth was so slow in its growth; but was all the more secure in its development, gradually taking deep roots wherever planted. The Church was its property nearly free from encumbrances, also with its many religious institutions, all the work of one head. The Church was in its infancy, but that has no parallel in America. In the developments of the next twenty-five years should be in the same ratio and wealth of its members.

with them in the death of their father, John Williams.

Contractor Marron is making rapid progress with the foundations for the Kearns mansion.

J. C. Lynch this week purchased some valuable real estate in the southern portion of the city.

On Thanksgiving Day Mass was celebrated at 8 a. m. The children's choir rendered the music.

Manager J. W. Neill of the United States mining company was in from Bingham on Thursday.

Major Richard Young and family are in Manila. Major Young will commence his duties there at once.

Angelo Gabardie and Amalia Arnold of Castle Gate were married on Nov. 27, by Rt. Rev. Bishop Scanlan.

Florence, the little daughter of Governor Wells, is ill with scarlet fever. Fortunately, the case is a light one.

Why do not some of the young ladies in the church organize a little social club for the winter? Echo answers why?

Yesterday being the First Friday Mass for the members of the Sacred Heart League was said at 7:30. There were many communicants.

James Murphy of St. Louis is registered at the Knutsford. His beautiful baritone voice will be heard at St. Mary's for the Christmas service.

Samuel Newhouse is home from New York. On Monday evening Mr. Newhouse entertained Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Harris of Butte at the Alta club.

On last Sunday the usual meeting for the Sacred Heart League was held at 3 p. m. It is to be hoped that the next meeting will be better attended by the promoters.

Ex-Governor Thomas returned Tuesday from a three weeks' visit to the east. While away he attended the convention of postmasters of the first class, held in Washington, D. C.

Miss Mollie Alexander returned from Mercur Wednesday evening. She was accompanied by Mrs. B. Steinmetz, who will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Alexander, for a week.

Mr. A. N. McKay for a long time managing editor of the Salt Lake Herald, has resigned from the staff of that paper and goes to the Denver Post, to occupy an equally important position. Mr. C. T. Harter, the city editor, will

succeed Mr. McKay as managing editor, and Joel L. Priest will hold down the city desk.

Many enjoyable private dinner parties were given on Thanksgiving day. Salt Lake's lonely Catholics were particularly cared for and given the experience of "all the comforts of a home."

The Salvation Army gave a Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday for the poor of the city. They were assisted by the citizens, and particularly by the school children in their praiseworthy undertaking.

Miss Mamie Fitzgerald sang an "O Salutaris" by St. Mary's on last Sunday. The young lady was formerly a member of the juvenile choir, but now assists the choir for High Mass.

General Grenville M. Dodge of New York and Morgan Jones of Fort Worth, Tex., are in the city, to remain until Monday. General Dodge was invited by President McKinley chairman of the commission which recently investigated the beef scandals of the late war.

Last Monday the parents and patrons of the Quinich school assembled to enjoy the beautifully arranged art exhibit, which changed the corridor into a veritable art gallery. A short musical and literary programme was also given.

L. W. Dittmann organized a party for a rabbit hunt on Thanksgiving day. They went to Monument over the Rio Grande. Western. Ernest Brockhaus took charge of another rabbit hunting crowd, who went to Tooele over the Short Line.

Hon. Thomas Kearns and Hon. David Keith have presented Park City with the grounds for a public park. The land selected is about two miles north of the town. It is an ideal spot for picnic, full of trees and well watered by springs of running water. The donation will be greatly appreciated by every citizen of Park City.

The inmates of the Utah penitentiary enjoyed a delightful musical programme on Thanksgiving day. The Salt Lake's best local talent cheerfully assisted to brighten for a few hours the lives of their less fortunate neighbors. The ladies and gentlemen were Mrs. Robinson, Misses Harley, Little and Felt, Messrs. McPherson, Hensler, Willis, Kenner and Cunningham. The children assisted were Misses Irene and Gertrude Kelly, Mary Halloran, Ora McDermott, Helen Maloney, Carrie Craddock and Rose Connor. Arden Dow, through his ever willing kindness and courtesy, and that of the guards under him, makes the trip one of great pleasure to the visitors.

On last Monday the annual mid-winter entertainment for the old folks was given at the Salt Lake theatre by the Salt Lake Opera company. The old people were well cared for by the members of the committee, and much pleasure was shown in every old face that left the theatre after a three hours' performance. The artists who were invited, many of the Mormon church officials were present. Bishop Scanlan was the only representative of the other churches of the city. The Salt Lake Tribune says he was warmly welcomed by Bishop Emery, who said: "I am really glad to see you, bishop. I wish more of your kind would attend these gatherings." Bishop Scanlan was given a prominent place in the stall, and enjoyed the old folks' pleasure.

OGDEN.

All Hallows Victorious.
All Hallows won all the victories on the gridiron at Ogden on Thanksgiving. The second team defeated the second team of the Ogden High School by a score of six to nothing, and the Junior team won out against the St. Joseph boys. In the afternoon the Y. M. C. A. team defeated the Ogden High School Seniors.

It was a glorious day and there was a large attendance at the games. The college boys, the faculty, and their friends were served with an excellent Thanksgiving dinner by the Catholic ladies of Ogden.

WYOMING

(Correspondence Intermountain Catholic.)
Kemmerer, Wyo., Nov. 25.—An event of more than usual interest to Catholics occurred in this new-born mining town Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 20 and 21. It exemplified what western generosity can accomplish and what a fund of zeal there is in some of our western Catholic populations. The Catholic church here had been built to meet the generous efforts put forth by Mr. P. C. Quayle, who has been the prime mover in the construction of the beautiful little St. Francis Xavier church, and now gave our own. All answered our popular Father Casey's call with willingness and enlisted the help of many of our good Protestant fellow citizens. The result is that we have in two nights cleared over \$300. We propose to go on beautifying our very creditable church building until it is interiorly as well as exteriorly one of the neatest and prettiest in this diocese.

We would mention quite a number of names that are worthy of praise, but must restrict ourselves to a few. On Monday night the most prominent workers were Miss Maggie Moeckler, Miss Kate Coleman, Miss Misses Callahan and James, and Misses Arthur Callahan. Among the generous givers were the most prominent business men in our town.

Thursday night was as brilliant as the preceding, and it was a spirited contest when Miss Ellen Davis could overcome the popularity and surpass the zeal of Miss Moeckler for the diamond ring. Father Casey has thanks treasured up for the kindness of his good people. The list of prizes was as follows:

The diamond ring for the most popular young lady was captured by Miss Ellen Davis. Frank Kidd won the silver tea service, and the other prizes were distributed as follows: Doll, Ann Callahan; folding bed, Mrs. A. L. Bowlby; guitar, W. E. Russell; silver cake basket, Mrs. A. E. Beamer; silver rocker, N. Huggins; lamp, Ota Rife; necktie, Harry Goss; sofa pillow, Miss Pelen.

The dance and supper given each evening were well attended, the music by Coe's orchestra being first class.

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THE CATHOLIC WORLD.

Delegates from all the Gaelic societies of the United States and Canada were assembled at the Lexington Assembly Rooms, 121 East Fifty-eighth street, New York, Tuesday afternoon last, under the presidency of the Rev. Dr. Henrich of the Catholic University, president of the Gaelic League of America. Business of the greatest importance to the various branches of the League was transacted. On Tuesday evening a Gaelic entertainment was given by popular Irish artists; a real Irish piper, with genuine Irish pipes, was one of the features of the occasion, and addresses in Gaelic were delivered by the Rev. Dr. Henrich, Mr. John Casey, president of the New York Philo-Celtic Society, and Professor F. N. Robinson of Harvard University.

An appointment has just been made by the Holy Father to the Very Rev. Mgr. Merry Del Val, son of the Spanish ambassador to the Holy See. This distinguished young prelate, who has the respect and esteem of all who have the honor of knowing him, is one of the most important members of the Pontifical Court, and held in the highest estimation by the Holy Father, who has watched his promising career from its commencement. His new duties in his appointment as President, or Rector, of the College of Noble Ecclesiastics, will take Mgr. Merry Del Val from the Vatican to the college in Piazza della Minerva, where his official residence will be. Mgr. Del Val was a delegate to Canada and settled the Manitoba school question.

As the result of the appeal made at the general meeting of the Maryland Society of Colonial Dames for relief to be deposited as loans in the National Museum at Washington, two interesting articles were presented to the board at their recent meeting by Cardinal Gibbons, who called at the society's house, 417 North Charles street, for that purpose. The articles were the pastoral cross worn by Archbishop Carroll at his consecration as Bishop of Baltimore, and a box made from the "old mulberry tree" which formerly stood in St. Mary's City and remained there until a person within the memory of many persons still living. The box was a gift to Cardinal Gibbons from General Bradley T. Johnson, who had it made.

The conduct of a Catholic girl who gave her Protestant fiancé his dismissal because, after having promised to be married by a priest, he declined at the last moment to consent to such a arrangement, is thus commented upon by the Michigan Catholic: "We commend the young lady on her action and hope for example will teach all Catholics a lesson. It is too bad that the young lady had not, in the beginning, weighed well the promises of the man she was about to marry. Catholics have often seen what his future conduct would be like. She would have spared herself much humiliation and sorrow, but it is good that she understood him in time, as all will who that ends well."

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER.

Holy Mother Church celebrates on next Sunday, Dec. 3, the feast of St. Francis Xavier. A young Spanish gentleman, in the dangerous days of the Reformation, was making a name for himself as a professor of philosophy in the university of Paris, and had seemingly no higher aim, when Saint Ignatius of Loyola came to heavenly thoughts. After a brief apostolate amongst his countrymen in Rome he was sent by St. Ignatius to the Indies, where for seven years he was to wear himself out, bearing the gospel to Hindostan, to Malacca, and to Japan. Thwarted by the jealousy, covetousness, and wickedness of those who should have helped and encouraged him, neither their opposition nor the difficulties of every sort which he encountered could make him slacken his labors for souls. The vast kingdom of China, appealed to his charity, and he was resolved to risk his life to force an entry, when death took him to himself, and on the 3rd of December, 1552, he died, like Moses, in sight of the land of promise.

Reflection: Some are specially called to work for souls, but there is no one who cannot help much in their salvation. Holy example, earnest intercession, the offerings of our actions in their behalf, all this needs only the saint which animates St. Francis Xavier, the desire to make some return to God.

St. Francis Xavier pray for us: "Thou, O Father, Jesus, Lord, all hearts are in thy hands, thou canst bend as it pleases. Thee the most stubborn, and soften the most obdurate; dost thou hunger this day, I do; Blood, Merits, Wounds, Name, and Influence Heart of Thy beloved Son, by granting the conversion we ask. Amen."

In remarking upon the fact that the French republic will have us believe the Catholic Church was in league to condemn Dreyfus, Laveaux, the Little Sisters of the Poor, of whom the Jews in this country are generous friends, the Ave Maria says: "This is the way the third republic pays the debt contracted by the maladministration or misappropriation of its atheist rulers. We wonder why England and America, which made such a passionate outcry against France for her supposed injustice to one man who may or may not have been guilty of treason, cannot be aroused even by a feeble protest against France against the continued injustice to these women, whose one crime is that they desire to follow the evangelical counsels and save their souls from the ignominy and the friendless? Alas! the crime of the monks is not one to appeal to rival newspapers and a sensational public."

Professor Schumann declares that we must not undertake to modify the conditions arranged by General Bates with the Sultan of Sulu. To do so would "ride" his grave highest and we should have on our hands one of the "bloodiest wars in our history." It is true polygamy and slavery under the stars and stripes are sanctioned and protected, save by the San Francisco Monitor, but we must remember that England also tolerates these things in furtherance of her imperialistic designs. Polygamy and slavery are features of the religion and customs of the Sulus, and we are morally bound to respect this religion and these customs. It is well enough to denigrate the religion and customs of mere papal subjects, but our Mohammedan subjects must not be molested in the exercise and enjoyment of theirs. This is the substance of Professor Schumann's defense of our Sulu treaty.

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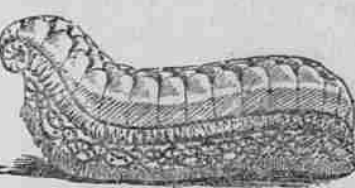
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